



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum #9-5, Use of Skateboards, Inline Skates, Shoes with one or more wheels embedded in each sole (for example "Heelys") and Scooters

1. Reference: AER 190-1, Driver and Vehicle Requirements and the Installation Traffic Code for the U.S. Forces in Germany, 15 May 2009.
2. Skateboards and scooters are toys. A scooter is a vehicle with a long footboard between two small end wheels controlled by an upright steering handle attached to the front wheel. They are not designed or intended for serious transportation in normal traffic. Misuse of those toys can create traffic hazards to the skateboarders/scooters and others. Therefore, the following rules govern the use of skateboards and scooters in this community.
3. You may use skateboards, inline skates, "Heelys" (see enclosed picture) and scooters on:
 - a. Public sidewalks (use the right side), as long as you don't endanger pedestrians.
 - b. In Askren Manor on roads marked as "Verkehrsberuhigte Zone" (Pedestrian Priority Area).
4. Do **NOT** use skateboards, inline skates, "Heelys" and scooters on:
 - a. Public streets and roadways other than specified in para 3b above.
 - b. Public parking lots and buildings (commissary, housing area, AFFES, bowling alley, etc.).
 - c. Ramps and/or jumps. Do not install such structures without the approval of the Garrison Command Sergeant Major.
 - d. Army owned/controlled buildings and on stairs.
5. You have to wear the following safety equipment:
 - a. Kneepads, elbow-pads, and wrist-guards.
 - b. Approved helmets, properly fastened under the chin. In addition, the helmets must meet the American Standards Institute, Snell Memorial Foundation Standards, or the Economic Commission of Europe for bicycle helmets.

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6. Do not attach yourselves to other moving vehicles (bicycles, mopeds, cars, etc.) while using inline skates, skateboards, and scooters.

7. I encourage parents to enforce this policy by controlling their children's use of inline skates, skateboards, "Heelys" and scooters. The Military Police will pick up violators and release them to the parents on DD Form 629. Subsequent incidents will result in appropriate disciplinary action per AE Reg 27-9.

8. The proponent for this policy memorandum is the Safety Manager, US Army Garrison Schweinfurt, 354-1670 or CIV 09721-961670.



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